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Title: Reported complaints against the emigration authorities attached to Indian embassies abroad in connection with the renewal of passports.

SHRI VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN (CHIRAYINKIL): It has been reported in the *Times of India* of 5th March, 2008 in the Mumbai Edition that there is a passport racket working through the Indian Consulate in Chicago. There have been a lot of complaints in the matter of issuance of passports regarding applications of NRI citizens throughout the country. In every State, in the Gulf as well as in many other countries whenever an application is put for issuance or extension of a passport, there have been a lot of complaints of corrupt practices. So, this may be looked into and the poor NRI citizens who are in such a plight may be saved from such malpractices.